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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thakker & Ward Group Art Unit: 1614

Serial No.: 09/974,519 Examiner: Michel Graffeo

Filed: October 10, 2001 Docket No.: 421/32/2

Confirmation No.: 7285

For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING PARACELLULAR

PERMEABILITY ACROSS EPITHELIAL AND ENDOTHELIAL

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AMENDMENT D

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Notice of Appeal was filed in the instant application on February 22, 2007, setting a two month deadline for filing of an Appeal Brief as <u>April 22</u>, 2007. As April 22, 2007 is a Sunday, the deadline for filing the Appeal Brief is automatically extended to <u>April 23, 2007</u>.

In lieu of an Appeal Brief, applicants hereby submit the instant Amendment and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). A check in the amount of \$395.00 to cover the small entity RCE fee is enclosed.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment and Remarks, and further in view of the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows: